

THE IRONBOUND CHILDREN'S

ASTHMA CAMPAIGN

\$150.00,

WHILE HELPING YOUR COMMUNITY

"IF YOU
-HAVE SOME FLEXIBLE HOURS
-WANT TO HELP SOME GREAT KIDS

&

WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN YOUR COMMUNITY, THEN COME TRAIN TO BE AN



ASTHMA BUSTER!

FIRST TRAINING WILL BE HELD FEBRUARY 4,2000 @ 432 LAFAYETTE STREET FOR FURTHER IN-FORMATION PLEASE CALL:

589-3353





BECOME

AN

ASTHMA

BUSTER

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WHAT IS AN ASTHMA BUSTER?

Asthma Busters are leaders and advocates for asthma awareness. The ICAC's link to the community. Those who have the greatest concern for asthmatic children will be recruited to form this team. The Asthma Buster's responsibilities will include:

- Conducting outreach and information campaigns
- Reaching/targeting low-income families with asthmatic children
- Coordinating/conducting training sessions for children and parents in their homes, community meeting rooms, church halls, etc.
- Conducting community-based surveys

EARN \$\$ WHILE HELPING YOUR COMMUNITY

A stipend of \$25 will be provided as Asthma Busters fulfill their Asthma Buster training, conduct a workshop for parents and distribute literature throughout the neighborhood.

As an incentive to intensify attendance at training workshops increased stipends would be given depending on the number of trainees. For example:

\$25 for group of 2-4 families

\$45 for group of 5-7 families

\$60 for group of 8 or more families

FOR MORE INFO, CALL 973-589-3353

If so, please provide the following information, detach and return:
Name
Address
Telephone #
Available Hours
Any Community Groups You Belong To:
Do you have asthma?
Child/Family Member with Asthma?
What languages do you speak?
Are you comfortable speaking to groups of people?

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Ironbound Children's Asthma Campaign

Job Description

Position: Asthma Busters

Qualifications: Ironbound resident interested in community health and environmental concerns in relation to children's asthma. Flexible to work 5-10 hours a week. Available to attend trainings at least twice a month.

Training: Before being certified as an Asthma Buster, candidates are required to complete the following training sessions:

- Asthma 101: Open Airways: Feb. 4, 2000
- Maintaining a Healthy Home: Intergrated Pest Management (IPM): Feb. 18, 2000
- Environmental Triggers and Health Risks: March
- Public Speaking: March

These four primary training sessions will each run 2-8 hours long and may be supplemented by following training sessions. Each candidate who completes one training session will receive a stipend of \$25.00. Therefore, an Asthma Buster can earn up to \$100 for completing all four training sessions. Upon completing the training program, each candidate will receive an Asthma Busters certificate and a \$50.00 bonus check.

Roles and Responsibilities: Asthma Busters will function as the campaign's link to the community. They will disseminate information about asthma and the services offered through the program. Asthma Busters will also provide support and assistance to their peers, neighbors and other residents. Throughout the first year of service, teams of 2-3 Asthma Busters will be formed to provide information to 500 residents and conduct training workshops for 100 families. Asthma Busters will be compensated for each training they conduct according to the following scale:

- A stipend of \$25 for attendance by 2-4 families
- A stipend of \$45 for attendance by 5-7 families
- A stipend of \$60 for attendance by 8 or more families

Each Asthma Buster will be responsible for the following:

<u>Staying Informed</u>: To first become familiar with the components of the Asthma Campaign including issues related to children's asthma and program activities.

<u>Outreach</u>: Initiate, develop and maintain contacts with community resident organizations and businesses. Help to design and distribute asthma literature and information to the community. Reach families in low income housing projects and target families in schools that have asthmatic children

<u>Education</u>: Coordinate and conduct training sessions for children and parents in their homes, community meeting rooms, church halls, etc. Asthma Busters will also work closely to monitor and educate those children and their care takers who receive asthma counseling and care from the Asthma Information and Referral Center (see below).

<u>Recruitment</u>: Asthma Busters will need to encourage other community members to participate in the Asthma Buster's training program to increase program productivity and visibility.

<u>Servicing Information and Referral Center</u>: The Nurse who will be directing the center will assign 1-2 asthma busters to monitor and assist an asthmatic child and their caretaker that is seen through the Asthma Information and Referral Center as part of the Target Study. This study will assess the effectiveness of the Asthma Campaign's activities and the services of the Information and Referral Center.